GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:492
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LOSSES TO AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the airports in the country are incurring losses including airports in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the amount of losses incurred by each airport during the last three years, year-wise and airport-wise and the steps taken or proposed to be taken to contain the losses?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a), (b) & (c):- A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement in reply to parts (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question NO.492 for 29th April, 2002 Regarding Losses to Airports.

(a), (b) & (c):- Out of 86 operational airports maintained by Airports Authority of India (AAI), only 11 airports aremaking profit including Hyderabad Airport in Andhra Pradesh. The amount of loss incurred by each airport during the last three years, year-wise, airports-wise and state-wise is given at Annexure. The main reason for losses at these airports is low traffic. Some of the airports do not even have scheduled operations. Unless traffic increases, it may not be possible for these airports to make profits. However, efforts are made to minimise losses by increasing non-traffic revenue and by cost cutting measures wherever possible.